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Introducer's Statement of Intent
LB 266

Chairperson: Deb Fischer
Committee: Transportation and Telecommunications
Date of Hearing: February 12, 2007

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

LB 266 will create an alternative operator's license, called a driving privilege card, for residents who do not have a social security number. The driving privilege card will enable a resident to legally operate a motor vehicle. The driving privilege card will require a resident to meet the same application and renewal criteria as the Class O license, the Learner's permit and the Provisional Operator's Permit, except that a social security number is not required and proof of Nebraska residency is required.

A driving privilege card will not be valid to operate a commercial vehicle or a motorcycle or to obtain a school permit, a seasonal permit, an employment permit, a medical hardship permit or a farm permit.

LB 266 will require an applicant for a driving privilege card to provide reliable proof of his or her identity and age, proof of residence in Nebraska, or other proof or documentation as prescribed by the rules and regulations adopted pursuant to the Motor Vehicle Operator's License Act which may include birth certificates, military identification or passports from the United States or a foreign government, a tax identification number issued by the Internal Revenue Service or a national identification card issued by a foreign government or certain other documentation. Any foreign document must be an original or certified copy and must be accompanied by a notarized translation into English.

A driving privilege card will be limited in its use for identification purposes. It will be of a distinct designation from other operators' licenses, of a type prescribed by the director. The card shall clearly display the phrase, "For driving privileges only, not for other government identification purposes." The driving privilege card may be used by law enforcement to verify that the person is licensed to operate a motor vehicle and to check his or her driving record. The requirements, endorsements, fees, restrictions, sanctions, and other provisions of the Motor Vehicle Operator's License Act, the Nebraska Rules of the Road and the motor vehicle homicide statutes, sections 28-306 and 23-394, will apply to driving privilege cards in the same manner as they apply to other operator's licenses.

LB 266 will authorize the Department of Motor Vehicles to charge an additional fee to cover the cost of any additional documentation verification related to an application for a driving privilege card.

A driving privilege card may be considered an operator's permit for insurance purposes.

Principal Introducer:

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